

ROUND 2

Technophobia 1996

House packet

1. Three of the twenty-four defendants were acquitted, twelve were sentenced to hang, three were sentenced to life imprisonment, four were sentenced to shorter prison terms, one committed suicide and the remaining one was held physically unable to be tried. For ten points, which trials, presided over by Lord Justice Geoffrey Lawrence, were held under the authority of the London Agreement of August 8, 1945?

ANSWER: \_NUREMBERG\_ trials

2. One theory holds that they are pets of alien beings who left them behind years ago. First reported in Puerto Rico, there have also been reputed sightings in Mexico, Florida, and even as far north as Massachusetts. They have been compared to vampires, and though there have been no reported human victims to date, they have been blamed for the death of many farm animals. For 10 points, give the name of these fantastic beasts, whose name is Spanish for "goat sucker."

ANSWER: \_CHUPACABRAS\_ (prompt on "goat sucker" on an early buzz)

3. Polyneices gathers six Greek war leaders and assaults this city ruled by his brother Eteocles in an Aeschylus play in part because of a curse on their father. For ten points, name this city, previously ruled by Oedipus.

ANSWER: \_THEBES\_

4. While "ER" might mean "Emergency Room" to doctors and TV-watchers, to students of cellular biology, it instead abbreviates, for ten points, what cellular membrane system involved in the synthesis of proteins and lipids?

ANSWER: \_ENDOPLASMIC RETICULUM\_

5. Darn, shoot, frig -- these words are formed by changing a few of the sounds in an obscenity to make it more socially acceptable. This process is not unique to English. For ten points, in linguistic jargon, the type of word thus deformed has what name, which more generally refers to a socially forbidden practice?

ANSWER: \_TABOO\_ (accept taboo deformation)

6. The term "skid row" originated in this city. It was used to describe the path that forested logs would take as they were rolled down the city's steep hills on their way to lumber mills on Puget Sound and Lake Washington. For ten points, name this city, which is also known for its airplanes, salmon, progressive politics, and alternative bands.

ANSWER: \_SEATTLE\_, Washington

7. "The BFG", "Matilda", and "James and the Giant Peach" are all recent movies based on the works of this English children's author, who died in 1990. For ten points, name the author of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory".

ANSWER: Roald \_DAHL\_

8. After studying at the Academie Julian in Paris, he turned his attention to sculpting marble busts of patriots and heroic figures such as the twelve Apostles. He turned a six-ton marble block into a colossal head of President Lincoln for the Capitol Rotunda. Finding that he liked large sculptures, his next project was a massive depiction of Robert E. Lee and his soldiers at Stone Mountain in Georgia. For ten points, name the sculptor who created the gigantic heads of four presidents at Mount Rushmore.

ANSWER: Gutzon \_BORGLUM\_

9. After NYU Law School and policy-making for the Department of Defense, he joined a DC law firm and was assigned to a client which was also concerned with bombs, blitzes and field position: the NFL. For ten points, name this man who, legal counsel to NFL Commissioner Peter Rozelle for more than 20 years, succeeded Rozelle in the commissioner's office, where he serves today.

ANSWER: Paul \_TAGLIABUE\_ (tag-lee-a-boo)

10. Luxury shops in Mexico selling this food staple have recently been allowed to exceed government price controls. The standard price is 19 cents for a pack of 40, but shops lacking access to government-subsidized corn have been allowed to sell for as high as 36 cents a pack. Citizens have praised the whiter, smoother, tastier product that the more expensive shops produce. For ten points, name this 3000-year-old food.

ANSWER: \_TORTILLA\_

11. Nautilus, the first atomic-powered submarine, was launched. The Southeast Asia Treaty Organization was formed. Sen. Joseph McCarthy was censured by the U.S. Senate. The \_Brown v. Board of Education\_ decision declared racial segregation in public schools unconstitutional. For ten points, in what year did all of these events occur?

ANSWER: \_1954\_

12. They have jaws and two pairs of antennae, and are among the most successful animals. Some species, such as wood lice, thrive in moist land environments, other species live in fresh water, but most are marine animals. For ten points, name this class of arthropods, which includes barnacles, shrimps, crabs, and lobsters.

ANSWER: \_CRUSTACEANS\_

13. This serialized novel definitely predates political correctness of the environmental sort. Knowing them to be rare and endangered, the heroes gleefully hunt birds-of-paradise and kill a sea otter, a dugong, and half-a-dozen manatees, not to mention an entire herd of sperm whales and dozens of giant squid. For ten points, what book tells the story of this 60,000-mile-long safari through the world's oceans?

ANSWER: \_20,000 LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA\_

14. He conducted war via a scorched-earth policy and created the earliest concentration camps for civilians. His tenure as secretary of state for war was significant but short, as he drowned when his ship was sunk on the way to Russia. For ten points, name this man who defeated the Sudanese at Omdurman in 1898, who also served as Chief of Staff during the Boer War, commanded the British forces in India from 1902-09, and became war minister at the outbreak of World War I.

ANSWER: Horatio Herbert \_KITCHENER\_

15. According to an apocryphal story, there is no Nobel Prize in Mathematics because this man had an affair with Nobel's wife. For ten points, name this Swedish mathematician.

ANSWER: Magnus-Gosta \_MITTAG-LEFFLER\_

16. The grandson of Solkar and son of Skon, his career included the treaty of Alpha Cygnus IX and the Coridan admission to the Federation. At the end of his career, he negotiated a historic treaty with the Legarans despite suffering from Bendii Syndrome, which necessitated a mind-meld with Jean-Luc Picard. For ten points, name this father of Spock.

ANSWER: \_SAREK\_

17. He collected pictures of almost every president from John Quincy Adams to William McKinley. Samuel Morse taught him to take daguerreotypes, and he opened three studios by 1854. For ten points, name this photographer, who was bankrupted by his efforts to photograph the Civil War.

ANSWER: Matthew \_BRADY\_

18. In its generalized form, it states that if  $f$  is a function from a finite set  $X$  to a finite set  $Y$ , for any positive integer  $k$ , if the order of  $X$  is greater than  $k$  times the order of  $Y$ , then there exists a  $p$  in  $Y$  such that  $p$  is the image of at least  $k+1$  distinct elements of  $X$ . For ten points, name this principle, first stated by Dirichlet, which also states that if  $n$  objects are to be placed in  $n-1$  boxes, then 2 objects must be placed in 1 box.

ANSWER: \_PIGEONHOLE\_ principle (accept Dirichlet's principle early)

19. After hosting the vice-presidential debate in early October, this Florida city was back in the news a few weeks later. Police officer Jim Knight fatally shot 18-year-old Tyron Lewis after Lewis supposedly tried to run Knight over in a routine traffic stop and a massive riot broke out. For ten points, name this city which shared its name with a major Russian city until 1914 and again since 1991.

ANSWER: \_ST. PETERSBURG\_

20. She may have been originally a Cretan goddess of fertility. Regarded as a virgin, she demanded chastity from her female attendants and even her male devotees, such as Hippolytus. Attendants of hers included Opis, Callisto, Hecate, and the mortal Iphigenia. For ten points, identify the Olympian Greek goddess of hunting and childbirth, daughter of Leto and sister of Apollo.

ANSWER: \_ARTEMIS\_

21. The national symbol is a ram and the name of the place means "sheep islands". The main islands include Strey, Eystur, Vagar, Sudhur, and Sand and the capital is Thorshavn. For ten points, identify these small Danish possessions in the Atlantic Ocean, halfway between Iceland and the Shetland Islands.

ANSWER: \_FAEROE\_ Islands or \_FOROYAR\_ or \_FAEROERNE\_

22. In 1788, this poet married Jean Armour, and became an excise officer one year later. His works include \_The Jolly Beggars\_, "The Cotter's Saturday Night", and "Tam O' Shanter", which he wrote in a day. For ten points, who is this author of "John Anderson My Jo", "To A Mouse", and "Auld Lang Syne"?

ANSWER: Robert \_BURNS\_

23. This chemist, born in Rotterdam, became Professor of Chemistry, Mineralogy, and Geology at the University of Amsterdam in 1878. He postulated that the four bonds of carbon are directed towards the corners of a tetrahedron, but is more famous for his work in physical chemistry, including his equation for the effect of temperature on equilibria. For ten points, who was this winner of the first Nobel Prize in Chemistry?

ANSWER: Jacobus Henricus \_VAN'T HOFF\_

24. A pass between the cliffs of Mount Oeta and the Malic Gulf, it was an entrance into Greece from the north. In 480 BC the Persian king Xerxes was nearly thwarted by a much smaller Spartan army here, but a Greek turncoat led Xerxes's army around a poorly defended path to the rear of the Greek position. For ten points, in what battle of the Persian Wars were Leonidas and the Spartans thoroughly annihilated despite fighting bravely?

ANSWER: \_THERMOPYLAE\_

25. Also known as the "Falling Eagle" and the "Harp Star", this star is the fifth brightest in the sky and the brightest in the summer triangle. For ten points, name the brightest star in the constellation Lyra, which in twelve thousand years will be the next north pole star.

ANSWER: \_VEGA\_ (Accept \_ALPHA LYRAE\_ on an interrupt)

26. It involved fasting and prayer and was an essential part of the initiation into adulthood. In some versions, the youth would search for an object resembling an animal, or an animal that behaved in a significant way. In the most common form, an animal would take the youth on a journey and teach him songs. For ten points, name this Native American tradition in which a youth sought out his guardian spirit.

ANSWER: \_VISION QUEST\_

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### Bonuses

1. Identify the country, 30/20/10:

30-- It is one of the oldest countries in the world. According to the King James Bible, the river Gihon, one of the four rivers flowing out of the Garden of Eden, encircled this country. Andromeda, the maiden rescued from a sea monster by Perseus, was a princess of this country.

20-- The country was converted to Christianity in the 4th century, but then was cut off from the rest of the Christian world by Muslim conquests. When contact was reestablished in the 15th century, European Christians believed they had found the legendary kingdom of Prester John.

10-- In more modern history, the country first became prominent in world affairs when it defeated Italy in 1896 at the Battle of Adwa. In 1935 it was invaded and occupied by fascist Italy.

ANSWER: ETHIOPIA

2. Now for a question about the influence of sea power upon literature. I will name the ship or ships and you give me the captain for the stated number of points.

a) (5 pts.) The Pequod

ANSWER: AHAB

b) (5 pts.) HMS Bounty

ANSWER: William BLIGH

c) (10 pts.) Hotspur, Atropos, Lydia, Sutherland

ANSWER: Horatio HORNBLOWER

d) (10 pts.) HMS Pinafore

ANSWER: CORCORAN

3. Answer these questions about American Indians of the Southwest for 10 points each.

a) This tribe is believed to have migrated to the Southwest from Canada sometime between 900-1200 A.D. Currently numbering about 170,000, they are the most populous of all Indian groups in the U.S.

ANSWER: NAVAJO

b) This linguistically diverse group of Indian peoples includes the Hopi and the Zuni tribes. They lived in autonomous, compact permanent settlements, and practiced a form of ancestor worship known as kachina.

ANSWER: \_PUEBLO\_

c) The ancestors of modern Pueblo Indians, they flourished for more than 2000 years in the Southwest, occupying a large territory between the Grand Canyon, the Pecos river, the Green river, and present day Flagstaff, before mysteriously abandoning half their domain around 1300 A.D. Name this tribe, known by the Navajo word meaning "ancient ones" or "ancient enemies."

ANSWER: \_ANASAZI\_

4. There are four ways a baseball batter may reach first base safely without hitting the ball. You'll get 5 points for each one you can name, and a 10 point bonus for getting all 4.

ANSWER: Issued a \_WALK\_ (\_4 balls\_); \_HIT BY PITCH\_;  
catcher or other player's \_INTERFERENCE\_;  
\_DROPPED THIRD STRIKE\_ on a strikeout

5. I will briefly outline of a Sherlock Holmes story, you name the story for ten points each.

a) As part of their plot to loot a bank, criminals need to use a man's house - so they keep the man occupied outside his premises by offering him the job of copying by hand the entire Encyclopaedia Britannica.

ANSWER: \_THE RED-HEADED LEAGUE\_

b) The shame of it! Holmes tries to recover some compromising letters written by a member of the aristocracy, but is outwitted by a woman.

ANSWER: \_A SCANDAL IN BOHEMIA\_

c) A famous stolen precious stone is finally tracked down by Holmes inside the throat of a Christmas goose.

ANSWER: \_THE BLUE CARBUNCLE\_

6. Sometimes it's not healthy to be too close to the President. For ten points each, identify the following men:

a) He was in the front seat of the presidential limousine with John F. Kennedy on November 22, 1963. A bullet passed through his back, chest, wrist, and thigh. He survived but was left with a lifelong lung condition, pulmonary fibrosis.

ANSWER: John Bowden \_CONNALLY\_, Jr.

b) He was shot and permanently crippled when John Hinckley, Jr., attempted to assassinate Ronald Reagan on March 30, 1981.

ANSWER: James S. \_BRADY\_

c) On February 3, 1933, while riding in Franklin Delano Roosevelt's car, he was hit by a bullet intended for Roosevelt. He died three weeks later.

ANSWER: Anton J. \_CERMAK\_

7. Identify these architects of the Italian Renaissance for ten points each.

a) This man designed the Palazzo Rucellai and the Tempio Malatestiano, but he is probably best known for his \_Ten Books on Architecture\_.

ANSWER: Leon Battista \_ALBERTI\_

b) This man designed the Tempietto in Rome and made the original plan for St. Peter's in Rome.

ANSWER: Donato \_BRAMANTE\_

c) The influence of Mannerism is evident in his Villa Rotonda, and his symmetry and order were emulated by later English architects such as Inigo Jones.

ANSWER: Andrea \_PALLADIO\_

8. Answer the following questions about mitosis for ten points each.

a) For ten points, all or nothing, name the four phases of mitosis.

ANSWER: \_PROPHASE\_, \_METAPHASE\_, \_ANAPHASE\_, \_TELOPHASE\_

b) For another ten points, name the structure at which the two chromatids connect until they separate during anaphase.

ANSWER: \_CENTROMERES\_

c) For a final ten points, name the proteins around which DNA curls when it forms chromatids from the more amorphous chromatin.

ANSWER: \_HISTONES\_

9. Given a slogan from a famous game, name the game for ten points each.

a) The game that ties you up in knots

ANSWER: TWISTER

b) The game of unspeakable fun!

ANSWER: TABOO

c) A minute to learn...a lifetime to master

ANSWER: OTHELLO

10. Hanukkah starts on December 6 this year. For the stated number of points, answer the following:

a) For ten points, while a Hanukkiah has nine branches, a traditional menorah has this many branches.

ANSWER: \_SEVEN\_

b) For ten points, Hanukkah celebrates occupation of Jerusalem and rededication of the Temple in 165 BC by this man.

ANSWER: \_JUDAS MACCABEUS\_ or \_JUDAH MACCABEE\_

c) For five points each, name any two of the four Hebrew letters found on the dreidel.

ANSWER: \_NUN\_, \_GIMEL\_, \_HAY\_, \_SHIN\_

11. Last spring, some of the question writers were in a production of \_Inherit the Wind\_, a play based on a famous real trial. For the stated number of points, identify the real people who were models for the following characters:

a) (5 points) Defendant Bertram Cates

ANSWER: John T. \_SCOPES\_

b) (5 points each) Defense Attorney Henry Drummond and Prosecuting Attorney Matthew Harrison Brady

ANSWER: Clarence \_DARROW\_ and William Jennings \_BRYAN\_

c) (5 points) Cynical reporter E. K. Hornbeck

ANSWER: Henry Louis \_MENCKEN\_

d) Finally, for 5 points each, give the authors of \_Inherit the Wind\_

ANSWER: Jerome \_LAWRENCE\_ and Robert E. \_LEE\_

12. Name these uncommon creatures for ten points apiece.

a) Its Latin name means shrew-mouse, and it's variously been classified as Rodentia and Pachydermata, but it now has its own order in Ungulata. Name this small rabbit-like quadruped that includes conies and the rock-rabbit of Syria.

ANSWER: \_HYRAX\_

b) The largest type of lemur in Madagascar, its name means "Look!" or "There he is!" in Malagasy, mistakenly applied by the French naturalist Sonnerat around 1780. Also known as the babacoote, it's arboreal, has soft wooly hair, very long hind legs and a very short tail.

ANSWER: \_INDRI\_

c) An aquatic insectivorous mammal most common along the Volga and Don rivers, its name is Swedish for musk-rat, as they were once sought for their musk to make perfumes.

ANSWER: \_DESMAN\_

13. This bonus will test your command of languages: fictional languages, that is. Given a passage in a language from fantastic literature, translate it into English for ten points each.

[Moderator: Since English translations may legitimately vary, accept close equivalents to the traditional translations.]

a) "Ash nazg durbatuluuk, ash nazg gimbatul,  
Ash nazg thrakatuluuk, agh burzum-ishi krimpatul."

ANSWER: \_ONE RING TO RULE THEM ALL, ONE RING TO FIND THEM,  
ONE RING TO BRING THEM ALL AND IN THE DARKNESS BIND THEM\_

b) "Ph-nglui mglw'nafh Cthulhu R'lyeh wgah'nagl fhtagn."

ANSWER: \_IN HIS HOUSE AT R'LYEH, DEAD CTHULHU WAITS DREAMING\_

c) Now, for ten more points, what three-word phrase stopped the robot Gort from destroying Earth in the movie \_The Day the Earth Stood Still\_?

ANSWER: \_KLAATU BARADA NIKTO\_

14. Name this man, 30/20/10:

30-- He is better known by his stage name, instead of his birth name Nathan Birnbaum.

20-- Although he is remembered as a comedian, he usually played the straight man when he performed with his wife.

10-- He died March 9, 1996, less than two months after his 100th birthday.

ANSWER: George \_BURNS\_

15. Have you spent much time in a machine shop? This three-question test used at MIT will quickly diagnose your level of mechanical incompetence. Warning: these are not trick questions. Don't overthink them.

a) For five points, how many quadrilateral sides does a nut have?

ANSWER: SIX

b) For ten points, what is the opposite of a tap?

ANSWER: a DIE. (A tap puts the threads in a nut or bolt-hole.  
A die puts the threads on a bolt.)

c) For fifteen points, how many bearings are there in a single front-wheel assembly of a rear-wheel-drive car?

ANSWER: TWO. Bearings travel in pairs.

16. a) For ten points each, name the two Kurdish groups that are fighting in northern Iraq, one supported by Saddam Hussein, the other by Iran.

ANSWER: The Kurdistan Democratic Party (KDP)  
and the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (PUK)

b) For ten more points, which parallel line is the southern border of the northern "no-fly" zone in Iraq?

ANSWER: the 36th Parallel (or 36 DEGREES NORTH latitude)

17. Answer these questions about the Boston Massacre of 1770 for the stated number of points.

a) For five points, the riot occurred because of what Acts of Parliament?

ANSWER: Townshend Acts

b) For another five points, how many people were killed in the Boston Massacre?

ANSWER: FIVE

c) The first of the five people to be killed by British soldiers was a black sailor and former slave. For ten points identify this American martyr.

ANSWER: Crispus Attucks

d) In spite of the weight of public opinion, the British commanding officer and most of his soldiers were successfully defended by, for ten points, what Boston lawyer?

ANSWER: John Adams

18. For ten points each, identify the following financial terms.

a) The sale by a company of a product line, subsidiary, or division.

ANSWER: \_DIVESTITURE\_

b) The purchase of a company by one of its employee groups or a large shareholder with borrowed funds, usually using the company's assets as security for the loans.

ANSWER: \_LEVERAGED BUYOUT\_

c) A pool of financial assets in which investors may buy shares and derive the benefits or share the losses, depending on the performance of the collective securities.

ANSWER: \_MUTUAL FUND\_

19. Identify the woman, 30-20-10.

30-- She first became a celebrity as a quiz show contestant. She appeared as an expert on boxing trivia on the game show "Twenty-One".

20-- She has played herself in the movies \_The King of Comedy\_, \_The Lonely Guy\_, \_Troop Beverly Hills\_, and \_Exit to Eden\_.

10-- This former Columbia professor has a weekday radio show and a syndicated newspaper column and is billed as "America's Favorite Psychologist."

ANSWER: Dr. Joyce \_BROTHERS\_

20. Identify these cases decided by the Burger Court on a 5-10-15 basis.

a) For 5 points, this 1973 case supported a woman's right to have an abortion.

ANSWER: \_ROE v. WADE\_

b) For 10 points, this 1978 decision held that school admissions officers could consider race as a factor, yet sided with a white student denied admission to a medical school because of his race.

ANSWER: \_REGENTS\_ of the University of California \_v. BAKKE\_

c) For 15 points, the Court in 1984 permitted the city of Pawtucket, Rhode Island to put up a Nativity display in this case.

ANSWER: \_LYNCH v. DONNELLY\_

21. For ten points each, given a territory, name the country that governs it.

a) Azores

ANSWER: \_PORTUGAL\_

b) Tokelau

ANSWER: \_NEW ZEALAND\_

c) Mayotte

ANSWER: \_FRANCE\_

22. For five points for each correct answer, name any six characters from the Edward Albee plays "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" and "Three Tall Women."

ANSWERS: \_GEORGE\_, \_MARTHA\_, \_NICK\_, \_HONEY\_, \_A\_, \_B\_, \_C\_, and the \_BOY\_.

23. I will name the people in a Senate race. For 5 points each plus a 5-point bonus for all 5 correct, you name the state.

A) Mary Landrieu and Woody Jenkins.

ANSWER: \_LOUISIANA\_

B) Max Cleland and Guy Millner.

ANSWER: \_GEORGIA\_

C) Tom Strickland and Wayne Allard.

ANSWER: \_COLORADO\_

D) Chuck Hagel and Ben Nelson.

ANSWER: \_NEBRASKA\_

E) Gordon Smith and Tom Buggere.

ANSWER: \_OREGON\_

24. Answer these questions about the Thirty Years' War for ten points each.

a) This imperial general led the Holy League and smashed the Protestants at White Mountain.

ANSWER: Johan \_TSEERCLAES\_ (or Count of \_TILLY\_)

b) The war was begun when this future Holy Roman Emperor's attempts to impose Catholicism caused revolts in Bohemia.

ANSWER: \_FERDINAND\_ II

c) Having lost King Gustavus Adolphus two years earlier, the once mighty Swedish army was annihilated at this 1634 battle.

ANSWER: \_NORDLINGEN\_